I.T. Act to Ms. Jayalalitha, Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu have been replied; and

(b) what further action Government propose to take?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Marathi Dailies and Weeklies

2699. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) number of Daily and Weekly Newspapers published in Marathi from the State of Maharashtra;

(b) names of the daily and weekly Marathi Newspapers published from Raigad district of Maharashtra registered as on 31st December, 1993; and

(c) names of weekly Marathi neswspapers published from Raigad district of Maharashtra registered as on 31st December, 1993?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) As per the records maintained in the office of the Registrar of Newspapers for India, 212 dailies and 566 weeklies in Marathi published from Maharashtra state were registered upto 31-12-93.

(b) and (c) District-wise details of registered newspapers are not maintained by the office of the Registrar of Newspapers for India.

Advertisements in Marathi Dailies

2700. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the procedure of giving advertisements of DAVP and UPSC in various dailies;

(b) the number of advertisements released to Marathi Dailies published from places other than Mumbai, Pune, Nagpur and Aurangabad district headquarters;

(c) the number of Marathi dailies which are given Central Government advertisements in Raigad district of Maharashtra;

(d) if advertisements are not given what are the reasons therefor; and

(e) what is the number of daily and weekly Marathi newspapers registered as on 31st December, 1993?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) Government advertisements are issued to only those newspapers/journals which are empanelled with DAVP for issue of advertisements. For each individual campaign, a separate media list is prepared keeping in view the publicity requirements client's requirements and budgetary provisions. A balanced and equitable distribution of advertisements is aimed at with the objective of achieving widest coverage.

(b) During the period April '93 to February '94, a total of 1341 insertions measuring 91,059 col. cms. of space were released to Marathi dailies published from places other than Mumbain, Pune, Nagpur and Aurangabad district headquarters;